



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL
INSPECTIONS**

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Wednesday, December 2, 2015

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (15-5735)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Present: Chairperson Eleanor R. Montañó, Commissioner Donald S. Andrews, Commissioner Johanna Arias-Bhatia, Vice Chairperson Barbara Bigby, Commissioner Susan Burton, Commissioner Cheryl Grills Ph.D. and Commissioner Theresa Zhen

Excused: Commissioner Percy Duran III, Commissioner Keren M. Goldberg and Commissioner Anne S. Hill

Staff present: Bolaji Famuyiwa, Roy Sinclair and Jenny Kimbell. (15-5784)

Call to Order. (15-5564)

Chairperson Montañó called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Chairperson Montañó led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- 1. Approval of the November 18, 2015 Minutes. (15-5584)**

On motion of Vice chairperson Barbara Bigby, seconded by Commissioner Theresa Zhen, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

II. REPORTS

2. Chairperson's Report on various items. (15-5589)

Chairperson Montaña shared the following Daily Breeze Newspaper Articles with the Commission:

- **Fostering Our State's Neediest Kids with Love (December 2, 2015).**
- **Downey Police lay Slain Officer to Rest (December 1, 2015).**
- **Ex-Sheriff's Deputies are Headed to Prison (December 1, 2015).**
- **Sheriff to Release Info on Deputy Shootings (December 1, 2015).**
- **Supervisors to Consider more Controls over Group Homes (November 30, 2015).**
- **Call to Action on Sex Trafficking of underage Girls (November 22, 2015).**

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3. Treasurer's Report. (15-5590)

Commissioner Andrews reported that the balance of the Commissioner's Charitable Fund remains at \$408.90. He also resigned as the Commission's Treasurer.

4. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports. (15-5592)

There was no report presented.

5. Commissioners' Reports on Group Home and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from November 19, 2015 to December 1, 2015. (15-5593)

During the reporting period, the following group homes/facilities were reported as being in satisfactory condition:

Chairperson Montaña and Commissioner Andrews visited:

- **Santa Clarita Sheriff Station (Magic Mountain Parkway, Valencia, CA) on November 30, 2015.**
- **South Bay Bright Future #3 (South Pacific Avenue, San Pedro, CA) on November 24, 2015.**

Vice Chairperson Bigby visited:

- **Glendale Courthouse (East Broadway, Glendale, CA) on November 25, 2015.**
- **Rosemary Children's Services (East Green Street, Pasadena, CA) on November 24, 2015 and noted that the floor and tub in Bathroom #1 needs to be replaced; Bedroom #3 needs a mattress; and Bedroom #4 needs a box spring and the blinds need to be replaced; the youth need**

- Five Acres "Solita Group Home" (Solita Road, Pasadena, CA) on November 24, 2015 and noted that Bedroom #2B and #3A need new mattresses.
- Rosemary Children's Services "Bonnie House" (North Bonnie Avenue, Pasadena, CA) on November 20, 2015 and noted that the Bathroom floor needs replacing; Bedroom #2 needs two mattresses, comforters and curtains; Bedroom #3 needs a desk drawer and blinds; Bedroom #4 needs comforters; and some of the youth need clothes and tutoring.
- Rosemary Children's Services "500 House" (South Oakland Avenue, Pasadena, CA) on November 20, 2015 and noted that Bedroom #2 needs new flooring; Bathroom #1 needs a new window over the tub and new caulking around the tub; Bedrooms #2 and #3 needs new mattresses; and Bedrooms #2 and #4 need new blinds; and the home has issues with rats and roaches and needs to be exterminated.

Commissioner Arias Bhatia visited:

- Luvlee's Residential Care (Walnut Valley Drive, Walnut, CA) on November 24, 2015 and noted that the bath tub in Bathroom #1 needs cleaning and Bedroom #2 window is cracked.

Commissioners Arias Bhatia and Duran visited:

- East Los Angeles Courthouse (Civic Center Way, Los Angeles, CA) on November 24, 2015.
- Camp Afflerbaugh (Stephens Ranch Road, La Verne, CA) on November 19, 2015 and noted that there is no nursing staff available afterhours to distribute medication to the resident clients. Staff was directed to forward her findings to the Board of Supervisors and the Probation Department to look into adding evening nursing staff to administer medication.

During the reporting period, the following facility was reported as being in unsatisfactory condition:

Commissioners Burton and Grills visited:

- Men's Central Jail (Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA) on November 28, 2015 and noted that there are three broken phones; one broken toilet; the dorm is overcrowded; there is a broken showerhead and the inmates need computer classes.

Not Home:

Chairperson Montañó and Commissioner Andrews visited:

- **Children's Homes of southern California (Valerio Street, Van Nuys, CA) on November 25, 2015.**
- **T & T Home for Boys (Tillman Avenue, Carson, CA) on November 23, 2015.**

III. DISCUSSIONS

6. Discussion and action regarding the election of officers. (15-5595)

This item was continued without discussion to December 9, 2015.

7. Review and action regarding the Inmate Welfare Fund Board letter. (15-5596)

The Inmate Welfare Fund correspondence to the Board was approved with a revision to the recommendation for the Board to consider appointing one of Sybil Brand Commissioners to serve on the Inmate Welfare Commission as a member instead of an ex-officio member as previously stated in the correspondence.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

8. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (15-5601)

Max Huntsman, Inspector General was present with staff Dan Baker, Chief Deputy, Cathleen Beltz, Assistant Inspector General, and Barbara Phillips, Monitor. Discussion ensued regarding further collaborative efforts between SBC and the Office of Inspector General (OIG). Barbara Phillips will continue to represent OIG at the SBC Monthly Business Meetings. Additionally, OIG might be called upon to attend other meetings as the need arises to allow both entities to address any serious issues that are identified by the Commissioners at the jails.

Public Comment

9. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (15-5602)

There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.

Adjournment

10. Adjournment for the meeting of December 2, 2015. (15-5603)

There being no further business, Chairperson Montaña adjourned the meeting of December 2, 2015 at 12:25 p.m.

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